

# **A distinct bacterial dysbiosis associated skin inflammation in ovine footrot**

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**Supplementary Table 1. Standard curve data for RT-qPCR assays**

<b>Gene</b>	<b>Cq values range</b>	<b>Slope</b>	<b>R<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Efficiency</b>	<b>Melt curve peaks</b>
<i>IL1β</i>	23-37	-3.482	0.963	93.7%	Single
<i>IL6</i>	26-38	-3.321	0.709	100%	Single
<i>CXCL8</i>	26-32	-3.489	0.998	93.5%	Single
<i>IL17</i>	25-34	-3.460	0.905	94.5%	Single
<i>18S rRNA</i>	11 - 13	-3.423	0.998	96%	Single
<i>ACTB</i>	22- 29	-3.563	0.997	91%	Single
<i>TUBA</i>	31 - 37	-4.45	0.865	122%	Single
<i>PPIA</i>	23 - 49	-3.586	0.961	90%	Single
<i>GAPDH</i>	20 - 34	-3.464	0.870	94%	Single
<i>TMEM79</i>	27 - 30	-3.413	0.963	96%	Single
<i>ASCC2</i>	30 - 35	-3.466	0.985	94%	Single
<i>C3ORF58</i>	30 - 32	-3.250	0.953	103%	Single
<i>BHLHE40</i>	27 - 30	-3.559	0.998	91%	Single
<i>DDX54</i>	29 - 32	-3.410	0.997	96%	Single

*ACTB*: β-Actin; *PPIA*: cyclophilin; *18S rRNA*: eucariotic 18S ribosomal RNA; *TUBA*: α-tubulin; *GAPDH*: Glyceraldehyde-3-Phosphate Dehydrogenase; *TMEM79*: Transmembrane protein 79; *ASCC2*: Activating signal cointegrator 1 complex subunit 2; *C3ORF58*: chromosome 3 open reading frame 58; *BHLHE40*: basic helix-loop-helix family, member e40; *DDX54*: DEAD (Asp-Glu-Ala-Asp) box polypeptide 54. Cq= quantification cycles.

**Supplementary Table 2. Gene expression stability analysis using RefFinder software.** Samples from all clinical conditions were included in this analysis (n=40). Low stability values= high gene expression stability.

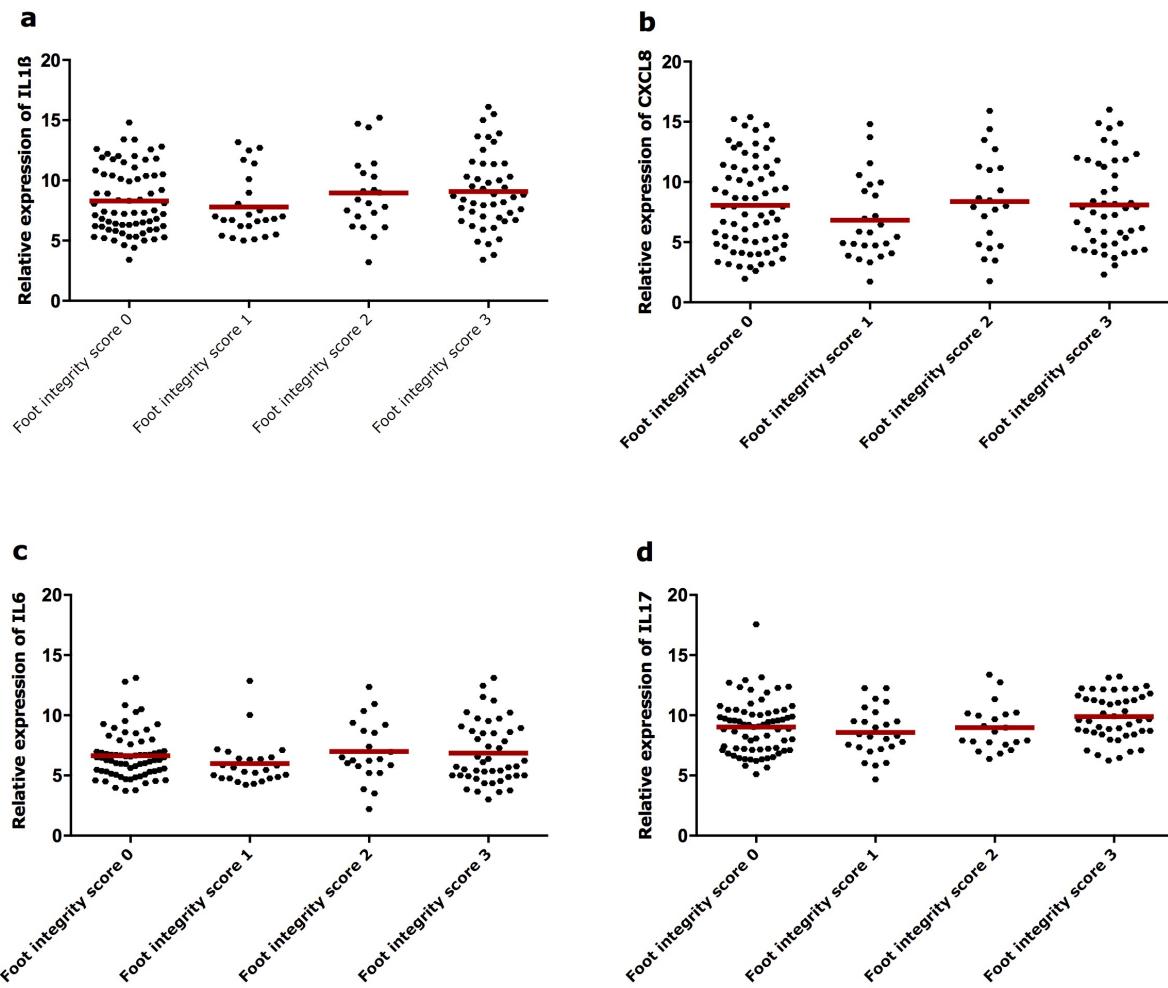
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Gene	Stability value	Gene	Stability value	Gene	Stability value	Gene	Stability value	Gene	Stability value
ACTB	0.348	ACTB	1.414	ACTB	0.514	DDX54	1.374	DDX54	0.323
PPIA	0.348	DDX54	1.732	PPIA	0.534	ACTB	1.396	ACTB	0.365
DDX54	0.582	PPIA	2.06	DDX54	0.565	PPIA	1.413	PPIA	0.428
C3ORF58	0.717	C3ORF58	4.427	TMEM79	0.706	C3ORF58	1.488	C3ORF58	0.56
ASCC2	0.848	ASCC2	5.623	18S rRNA	0.723	ASCC2	1.627	ASCC2	0.857
BHLHLE40	0.995	BHLHLE40	6.236	C3ORF58	0.727	BHLHLE40	1.813	BHLHLE40	1.278
TUBA	1.16	TMEM79	7.348	BHLHLE40	0.76	TUBA	1.993	TUBA	1.499
GAPDH	1.301	TUBA	7.454	ASCC2	0.91	GAPDH	2.022	GAPDH	1.518
TMEM79	1.629	18S rRNA	8.409	TUBA	0.967	TMEM79	2.884	TMEM79	2.621
18S rRNA	1.899	GAPDH	8.459	GAPDH	1.584	18S rRNA	2.978	18S rRNA	2.712

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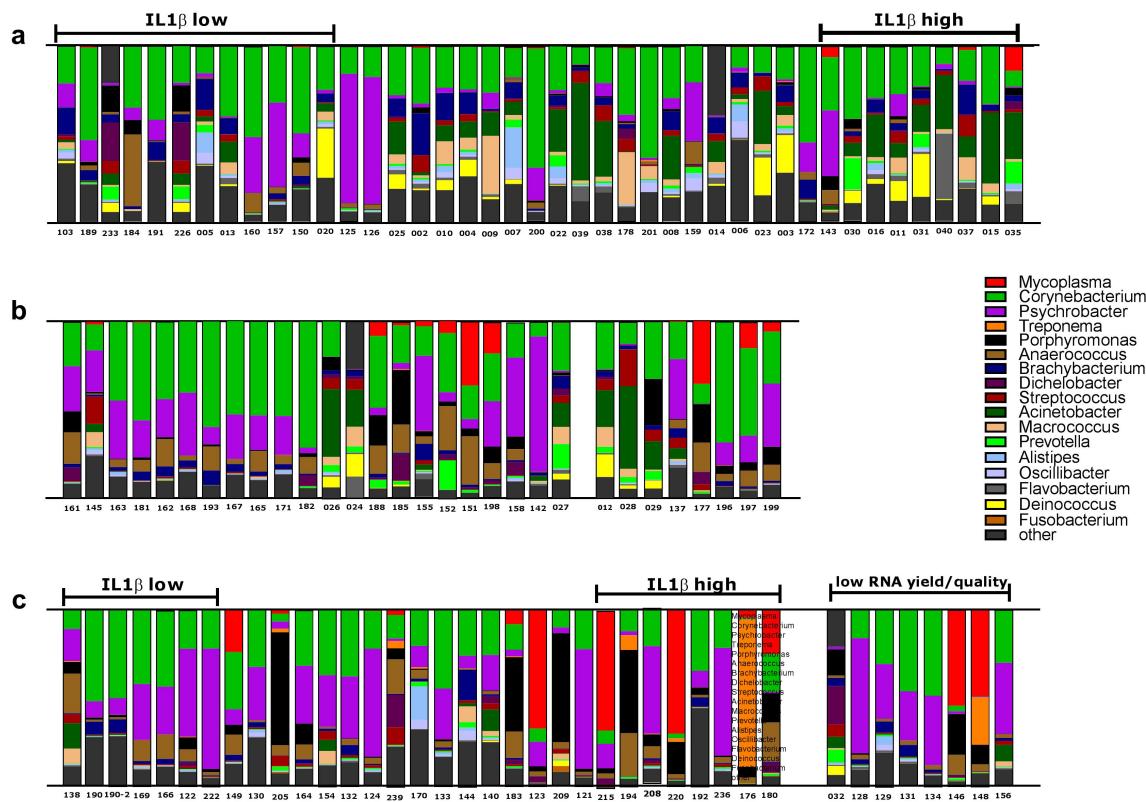
**Supplementary Table 3. RT-qPCR and PCR Primers**

Gene	Strand	Sequence 5`-3`	Accession	Reference
GAPDH*	Forward	CCACCAACTGCTTGGCCCCC	AF022183.1	(Davenport et al., 2014)
	Reverse	GGACACGTTGGGGTGGGGA		
B-Actin	Forward	TGTGCGTGACATCAAGGAGAA	NM_001009784	(Hughes et al., 2011)
	Reverse	CGCAGTGGCCATCTCCTG		
18S rRNA	Forward	GCAATTATTCATGCCATGAACG	DQ013885	(Taylor et al., 2008)
	Reverse	CAAAGGGCAGGGACTTAATC		
16S rRNA*	Forward 341	TCGTCGGCAGCGTCAGATGTGTATAAGA GACAGCCTACGGGNNGCWGCAG		(Klindworth et al 2013)
	Reverse 534	GTCTCGTGGGCTCGGAGATGTGTATAAG AGACAGGACTACHVGGGTATCTAATCC		
<i>a-Tubulin</i>	Forward	CCAGATGGTAAATGTGACC	AF251146	(Taylor et al., 2008)
	Reverse	GCATTGACATCTTGGGAAC		
PPIA	Forward	CATACAGGTCTGGCATCTTGTCT	AY251270	(Lloyd et al., 2012)
	Reverse	TGCCATCCAACCCTCAGTCT		
GAPDH	Forward	TCCGTTGTGGATCTGACCTG	AF030943	(Hughes et al., 2011)
	Reverse	TGCTTCACCACCTCTTGATCTC		
ASCC2	Forward	AGGAGGCTTGAAGACAGCAA	XM_04017467	This study
	Reverse	GTTGTCACAGCTGCTTCCA		
BHLHLE40	Forward	CTACCAGGGATGGATTTGC	NM_001129741	This study
	Reverse	TCCGGTCACGTCTCTTTTC		
C3ORF58	Forward	TGGTGCTACAGAGTTTCCAT	XM_012130530	This study
	Reverse	GCGAGGTCAACTCGTTCTC		
DDX54	Forward	GAAGCTGGACCTGGTAGAC	XM_012098176	This study
	Reverse	GTTCTGAGCTCGCACCATCT		
TMEM79	Forward	CATTGTAATGGGATCCTGGT	XM_004002610	This study
	Reverse	ATGAAGAGCTGGACCGACTG		
IL1 $\beta$	Forward	TTCTGCATGAGCTTCGTACAA	X56972.1	(Darlay et al., 2011)
	Reverse	GGGTCGGTGTATCACCTTTT		
IL17	Forward	GAGTCTGGTGGCTCTTGTA	XM_004018887	This study
	Reverse	TGCTGTGGAAAGTTCTTGTC		
CXCL8	Forward	GAGAAGTCCTCTGGACAGC	NM_001009401	This study
	Reverse	CAGCCAGCTGGAAAGTCATA		
IL6	Forward	AATTCCTGCAGTTCAGCCT	NM_001009392	This study
	Reverse	GTTTCTGACCAGAGGGAGGGA		
AprV2	aprV2/B2F	GAAGGCGACTGGTTGATAACTG	M35016	(Frosth et al., 2015)
	aprV2/B2R	GAGCTGTCGCTTCTTCTTGC		
	aprV2probe FAM-MGBNFQ	ATGCGGTGGTTATCCT		

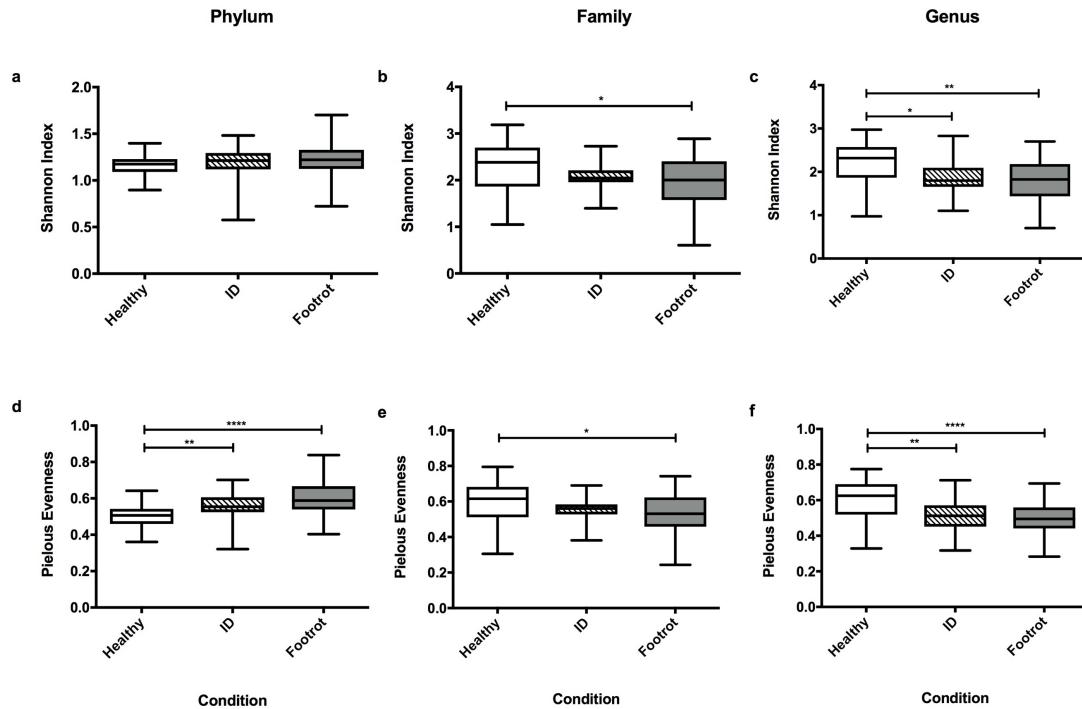
All primers were used for qPCR except \*Primers, which were used in the conventional PCR reaction for quality control of cDNA synthesis.



**Supplementary Figure 1. mRNA expression levels of proinflammatory cytokines across the different ovine foot conformation/integrity scores.** (a) IL1 $\beta$ , (b) CXCL8, (c) IL6 and (d) IL17. Ovine foot scoring system conformation of the sole and heel/wall of each digit: **0**= undamaged sole and heel area with a perfect shape. **1**= mildly damaged/misshapen sole and/or heel area of the digit (<25%). **2**= moderately damaged/misshapen sole and/or heel area of the digit (>25% and <75%). **3**= severely damaged/misshapen sole and/or heel area of the digit (>75%). Mean is represented by red bars. Data were analysed by Dunn's multiple comparisons test.

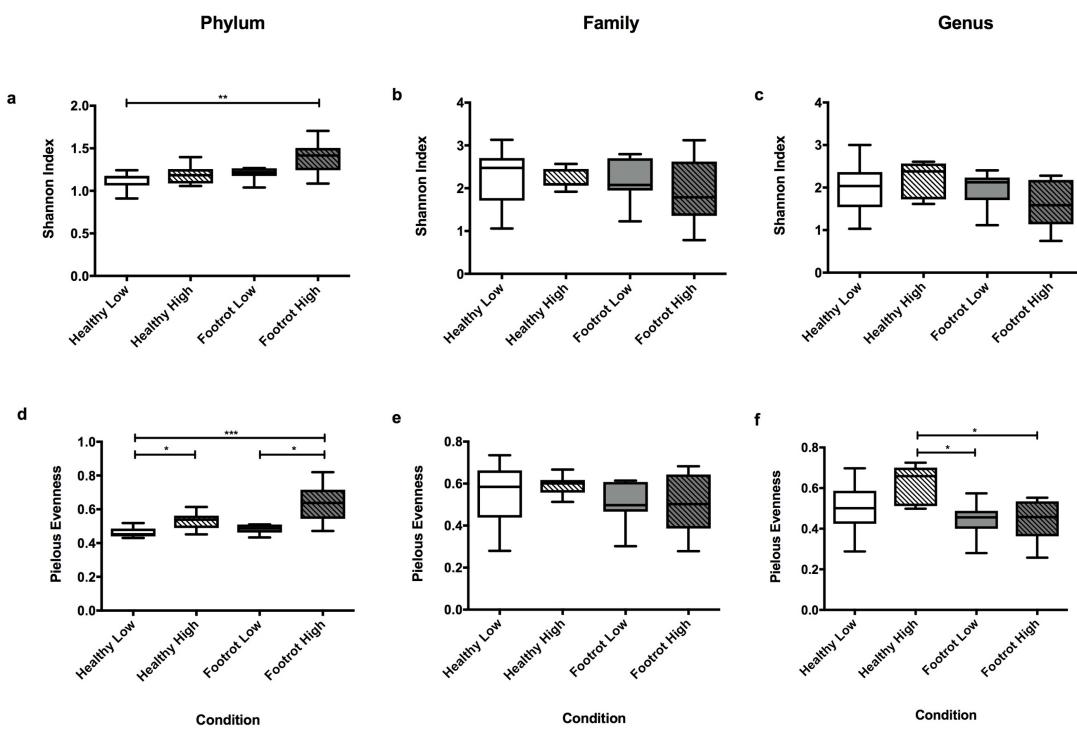


**Supplementary Figure 2. Composition of individual bacterial communities.** (a) Visibly healthy feet; (b) feet with interdigital dermatitis; (c) feet with footrot. Associated qPCR quantified levels of IL1 $\beta$  and samples with poor RNA yield are highlighted to show samples reused in further analysis and omitted due to lack of sample for qPCR analysis.



**Supplementary Figure 3. Differences between diversity indices associated with disease state.**

Indices were calculated for each sample according to disease state and analysed for significant differences using Kruskal-Wallis test (Dunn's multiple comparison test, non-parametric). **a,b,c** show Shannon diversity indices, **d,e,f** show Pielous evenness indices for each taxonomic level. Sample numbers are Healthy n=40, ID n=30 and Footrot n=36. P-values are displayed as \* p= ≤ 0.05, \*\* p= ≤ 0.01, \*\*\*p= ≤ 0.001, \*\*\*\*p= ≤ 0.0001.



**Supplementary Figure 4. Differences in diversity indices associated with inflammation and disease state.**

Indices were calculated for each sample according to disease state and analysed for significant differences using Kruskal-Wallis test (Dunn's multiple comparison test, non-parametric). **a,b,c** show Shannon diversity indices, **d,e,f** show Pielous evenness indices for each taxonomic level. Sample numbers are healthy low n=12, healthy high n=9, footrot low n=7 and footrot high n=8. P-values are displayed as \* p= ≤ 0.05, \*\* p= ≤ 0.01, \*\*\*p= ≤ 0.001, \*\*\*\*p= ≤ 0.0001.